Clay Lowery, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

John E. Maupin, Jr., of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Social Security Advisory Board for a term expiring September 30, 2010.

Ellen R. Sauerbrey, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration).

Jacqueline Ellen Schafer, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Mark McKinnon, of Texas, to be a Member of the Broadcasting Board of Governors for a term expiring August 13, 2008.

Brenda LaGrange Johnson, of New York, to be Ambassador to Jamaica.

Alexander R. Vershbow, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Korea.

David B. Dunn, of California, to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic.

Thomas A. Shannon, Jr., of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Western Hemisphere Affairs).

Thomas O. Barnett, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

James S. Halpern, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Emilio T. Gonzalez, of Florida, to be Director of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.

John M. Molino, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Policy and Planning).

Lisette M. Mondello, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs).

George J. Opfer, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. 38 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral. Routine lists in the Air Force. Page \$9692

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

John G. Roberts, Jr., of Maryland, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United

States, which was sent to the Senate on July 29, 2005. Page S9692

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—221)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and by unanimous consent adjourned at 6:24 p.m., until 10:30 a.m., on Wednesday, September 7, 2005. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$9630.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

GAS PRICES

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine gasoline prices and factors contributing to current high prices such as global oil demand, constraints on refinery capacity, and increased speculation in the futures market, after receiving testimony from Rebecca Watson, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management; Guy F. Caruso, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; James A. Overdahl, Chief Economist, Commodity Futures Trading Commission; Bob Slaughter, National Petrochemical and Refiners Association, Washington, D.C.; William S. Shipley III, Shipley Stores, LLC, York, Pennsylvania, on behalf of the National Association of Convenience Stores and the Society of Independent Gasoline Marketers of America; Robert L.Darbelnet, AAA, Heathrow, Florida; and John Dowd, Sanford C. Bernstein and Co., LLC, New York, New York.